

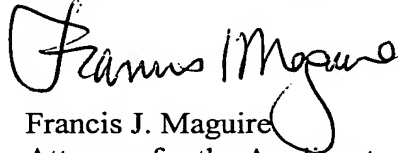
IN THE DRAWINGS:

Figures 1A, and 2A have been amended by adding the legend PRIOR ART to each Figure as shown in red ink on the enclosed annotated sheets.

## REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is submitted for the purpose of placing the application into standard U.S. format and to correct certain informalities in the text. Approval and allowance are respectfully requested. Replacement drawing sheets are enclosed that incorporate the changes made to the drawings.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Francis J. Maguire". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Francis" and last name "Maguire" clearly distinguishable.

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Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

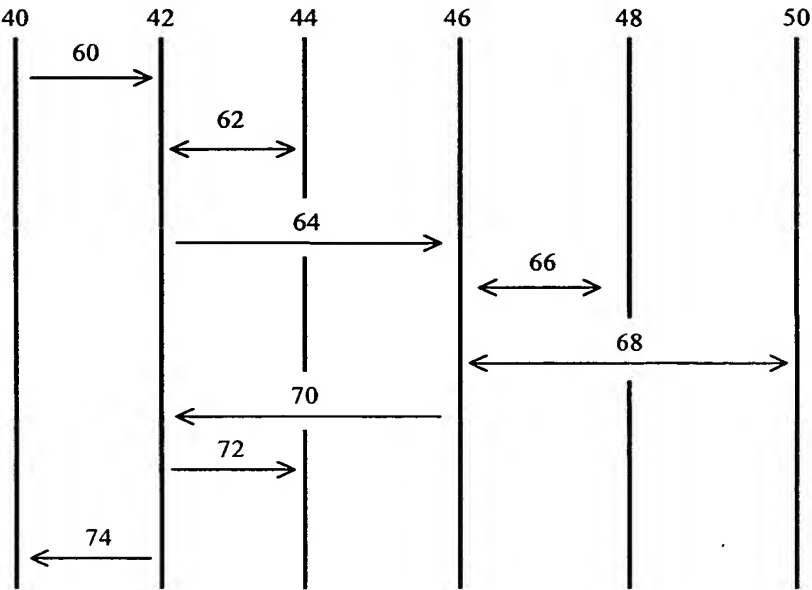


FIG. 1A (PRIOR ART)

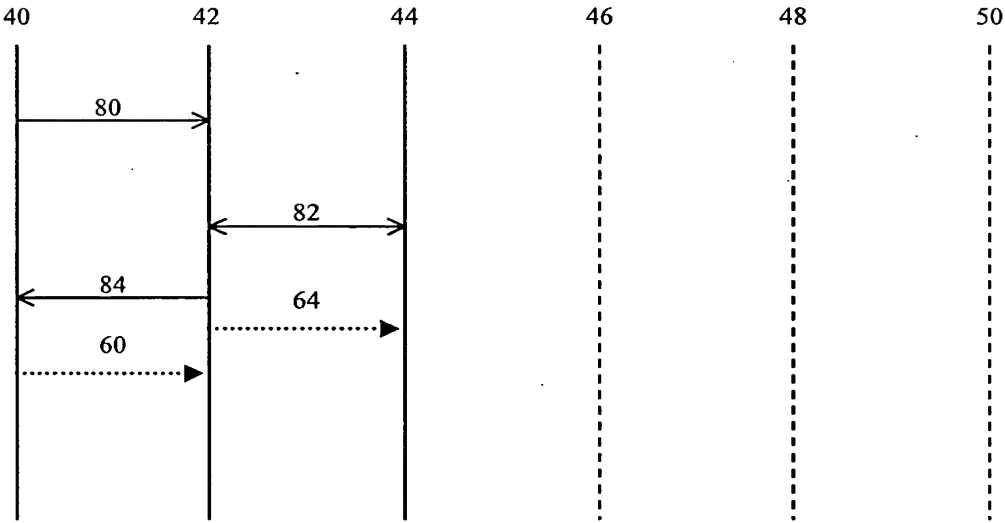


FIG. 1B

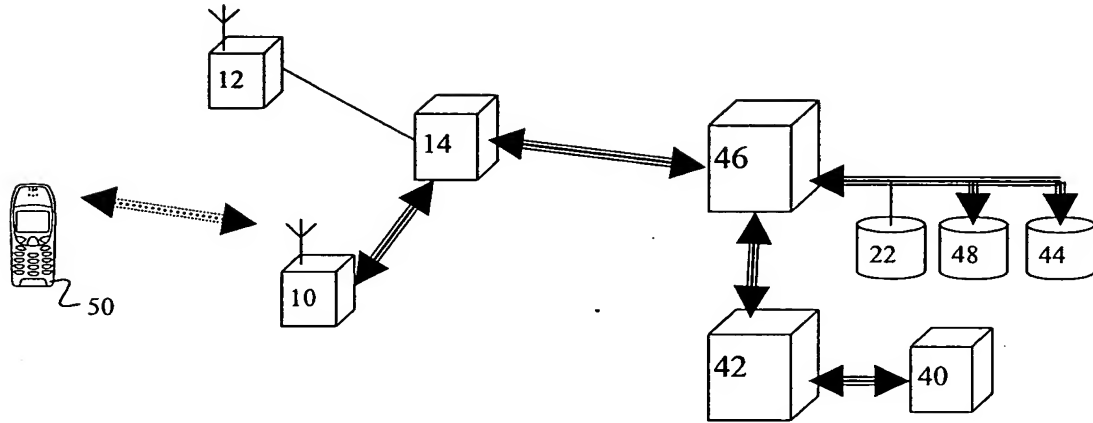


Fig. 2A  
(PRIOR ART)

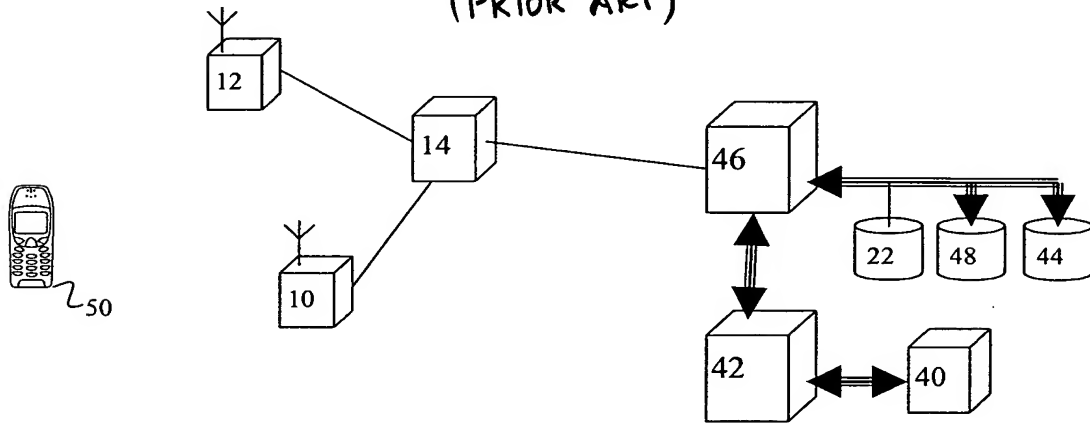


FIG. 2B